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- 11. On May 9, Dr. Charn Jullamon, Director of the Peace, Security, and Disarmament Divisions at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) told poloff that the Royal Thai Government (RTG) was moving forward with preparations to participate in the Heavy Support Package for Darfur (reftels). The Royal Thai Supreme Command (RTSC) notified MFA that Royal Thai Supreme Commander General Boonsrang Niumpradit had approved the deployment of 200 personnel to support the UN mission. Charn said he did not know which specific units would be offered, but said that they would likely be RTA Engineers. Charn said he would help coordinate as preparations moved forward.
- 12. While the Thai are seriously considering a deployment, there remains much work before they can actually send units to Darfur. Post wishes to assist the Royal Thai military and Foreign Ministry with this possible deployment. We anticipate Thai inquiries about possible U.S. logistics, transportation and administrative support and would appreciate any detailed information we can share with the Thai to make any deployment a success. BOYCE